### 5.8.1.2    Develop Regional Communications Governance Structures

*NECP Alignment:*

| NECP Objective | NECP Initiative | NECP Milestone |
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**Gap Statement:** While Arizona has taken steps to expand and improve governance structures at the state level, regional governance structures are needed and remain a work in progress. Specifically, Arizona recognizes these remaining gaps relative to regional governance structures statewide:

Arizona regions, counties, and/or localities need to develop and/or enhance existing governance structures to provide regionalized coordination and cooperation in pursuit of communications interoperability enhancements.

**Initiative Description:** Support localities within the State of Arizona as they form regionalized governance structures designed to improve coordination, collaboration, and resource sharing efforts related to communications interoperability.

**Priority:** Medium

**Term/Timeframe:** Medium-term (2013)

**Lead/Owner:** Regional Partners

> **Primary Participants:**
> > o   PSIC Office

**Action Plan:**

1) Governance Model(s)
   a. Conduct stakeholder input meetings around regional governance issues, as needed.
   b. Request technical assistance to conduct governance model assessments and execute technical assistance offerings, as awarded
   c. Engage in tactical communications planning at the regional level
2) Strategic Communications Migration Plan (SCMP)
   a. Request technical assistance or grants to develop SCMPs, as requested
   b. Execute offerings, as awarded
3) TICP
   a. Request technical assistance or grants to develop TICPs
   b. Execute offerings, as awarded
4) CASM
   a. Utilize NECP Goal 2 assessments to capture regional asset inventory information.
   b. Enter captured asset inventory information into CASM.

**Objectives:**

1) Develop TICPs and expand the utilization of CASM
2) Support tactical and strategic communications planning among federal, state, local, and tribal governments at the regional interstate level (NECP milestone)

**Performance Measures:**

1) Develop and codify regional governance structures and associated guidance documents
2) Develop SCMPs for counties and/or defined regions
3) Develop or finalize and publish TICPs for counties and/or defined regions
4) Populate CASM data as provided by counties

**Critical Success Factors/Risks:**

1) Availability of resources (e.g., funding, staffing, equipment, etc.)
2) Cooperation of stakeholders statewide
3) Award of Technical Assistance or grants
4) Ongoing federal sustainment of the CASM tool

**Funding:**

Potential funding

- Federal
  o IECGP
  o OEC
  o SHSGP
  o UASI
- Local
  o Local Government Appropriations

**Outreach Plan:** See Sections 4.5.4 and 5.8.5.1.